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TO: ALL IDAHO NURSING FACILITIES
ALL IDAHO HOSPICE AGENCIES

FROM: DEBBY RANSOM, R.N., R.H.I.T., Chief
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SUBJECT: **SQSB STATE LETTER No. 693**
REGARDING PROMISING PRACTICES FOR IMPLEMENTING THE
MEDICARE HOSPICE BENEFIT FOR NURSING HOME RESIDENTS

Enclosed is a copy of a recent Survey Quality and Standards Branch (SQSB) State Letter.

This State Letter contains information pertinent to Nursing Facilities and Hospice Agencies.

If you have any questions regarding this State Letter, please contact Loretta Todd, R.N., Co-Supervisor, Long Term Care, or Diana Gassel, R.N., Co-Supervisor, Long Term Care, or Sylvia Creswell, QMRP, Supervisor, Non-Long Term Care at 208/334-6626.

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Enclosure

cc: Idaho Health Care Association
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